

REMARKS

Summary of Office Action

Claims 58-97 are pending in this application.

Claims 58-97 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 101 for being directed to non-statutory subject matter.

Claims 58-97 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite.

Claims 58-97 have been indicated to be allowable if rewritten to overcome the Sections 101 and 112 rejections.

Summary of Applicants' Reply

Applicants note with appreciation the indication of allowable subject matter in claims 58-97.

Applicants have amended claims 58, 64, 68, 74, 78, 84, 88 and 94 in order to more particularly define the claimed invention. No new matter has been added and the amendments are fully supported by the originally filed specification.

The Examiner's rejections are respectfully traversed.

Reply to the Section 101 Rejection

Claims 58-97 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 101 for being directed to non-statutory subject matter. Applicants respectfully disagree with this rejection. Nevertheless, in order to advance prosecution, applicants have amended independent claims 58, 64, 68, 74, 78, 84, 88 and 94 in order to more particularly define the claimed invention. Applicants respectfully submit that claims 58, 64, 68, 74, 78, 84, 88 and 94, as amended, are directed to statutory subject matter. Accordingly, applicants

respectfully request that the Section 101 rejection of claims 58, 64, 68,74, 78, 84, 88 and 94 and claims 59-63, 65-67, 69-73, 75-77, 79-83, 85-87, 89-93 and 95-97 which depend, directly or indirectly, from claim 58, 64, 68,74, 78, 84, 88 or 94 be withdrawn.

Reply to the Section 112 Rejection

Claims 58-97 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. Applicants respectfully disagree with this rejection. Nevertheless, in order to advance prosecution, applicants have amended independent claims 58, 64, 68,74, 78, 84, 88 and 94 in order to more particularly define the claimed invention. Applicants respectfully submit that claims 58, 64, 68,74, 78, 84, 88 and 94, as amended, are not indefinite. Accordingly, applicants respectfully request that the Section 112 rejection of claims 58, 64, 68,74, 78, 84, 88 and 94 and claims 59-63, 65-67, 69-73, 75-77, 79-83, 85-87, 89-93 and 95-97 which depend, directly or indirectly, from claim 58, 64, 68,74, 78, 84, 88 or 94 be withdrawn.

Conclusion

For the reasons set forth above, applicants respectfully submit that this application, as amended, is in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and prompt allowance of this application are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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